

Washington, DC – Today, Congressman Bruce Braley (IA-01) released the following statement after a joint House and Senate briefing on the conflict in Libya by Secretary of State Hilary Clinton and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates:

“I was pleased to learn that many of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle share my concerns about the current and future costs, and our strategy going forward in Libya. Although some of my concerns were addressed, I remain disappointed that Secretary Clinton and Secretary Gates did not present a clear outline of our future costs, how we are going to pay for them, and our exit strategy. If our involvement in Libya continues with this lack of clarity, I’ll find myself in the position to join many Americans in asking, ‘why are we there?’”